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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM

E.O.11652: GDS

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SUBJECT : MALECELA URGES U.S. SUPPORT OF ETHIOPIA

1. FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA TOLD ME LAST NIGHT AT DINNER HE HOSTED FOR ME THAT SOMALIA WAS CERTAIN TO ATTACK ETHIOPIA AS SOON AS IT THOUGHT THE TIME WAS RIPE. HE DIDN'T LIKE THE PROSPECT SINCE TANZANIA WAS A MEMBER OF OAU GOOD OFFICES COMMISSION FOR THE ETHIOPIA-SOMALI PROBLEM AND HE "DID NOT WELCOME THE ADDITIONAL WORK THIS WOULD MEAN FOR HIM."

2. I ASKED WHY SOMALIA HADN'T ATTACKED ALREADY, GIVEN THE MILITARY SUPERIORITY THEIR SOVIET ARMOR PROVIDED THEM AND GIVEN EVIDENT ETHIOPIAN DISARRAY. HE REPLIED IT WAS BECAUSE "THEY'RE JUST LIKE ALL THE REST OF US - WE CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN ADDIS." IN SOMEWHAT OF NON SEQUITUR, HE THEN SAID ETHIOPIAN MISSION HAD JUST VISITED KENYA BUT NO HIGH RANKING KENYANS HAD SEEN THEM SO THEY HAD RETURNED TO ADDIS.

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3. MALECELA SAID ONLY REASON SOMALIA JOINED ARAB LEAGUE

WAS TO OBTAIN SUPPORT FOR ATTACK AGAINST ETHIOPIA. HE WAS UNIMPRESSED BY MY SUGGESTION OF OTHER POSSIBLE FACTORS. HE URGED U.S. NOT ABANDON ETHIOPIA SINCE IT NEEDED SUPPORT FROM ITS TRADITIONAL FRIENDS NOW MORE THAN EVER. HE SAID "YOU SHOULD GIVE THEM THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE THEY NEED." I TOLD HIM THAT THIS WAS EASIER SAID THAN DONE.

4. MALECELA LEFT DAR ES SALAAM THIS MORNING WITH PRESIDENT NYERERE FOR VISIT TO SUDAN.
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